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**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS**  
**Alameda County Fair**  
**Pleasanton, California**

**TO THE CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD**

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**Report for the Week of Wednesday, June 22, 2022, through Sunday, June 26, 2022.**

**WEDNESDAY**6/22/22<sup>1</sup>**DUTY STEWARD**

Steward Will Meyers was present to supervise entries for Saturday, June 25. An "Entry Panel" for Friday was also convened in which Mr. Meyers was a participant.

**THURSDAY**6/23/22<sup>1</sup>**DELIMA HEARING**

The full Board of Stewards were in attendance to hear California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) vs. Clifford DeLima. Case number 22GG0051, a class 4, Penalty C medication violation. The case was presented by CHRB Investigator Noe Longoria. Mr. DeLima was present and waived his right to counsel. Evidence was presented and submitted into the record with a decision to come.

**FRIDAY**6/24/22<sup>1</sup>**PROGRAM CHANGES**

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: #1 BID ON THE PRIZE – Tr. Q. Howey-Unsound–Dr. Batten.

#3 CARDIFF CRACK (Tr. B. McLean) – Injured – Dr. Batten. Refund: \$143.87

7<sup>th</sup> Race: #2 A DIME FOR ME – Tr. J. Wong – Re-Enter – Stewards. Refund: \$77.53

6/24/22<sup>2</sup>**CALLAGHAN RULING**

### ACF RULING #3

Acting upon a settlement agreement and mutual release signed by the California Horse Racing Board (CHRB) and Trainer Simon Callaghan the following ruling is issued:

Trainer Simon Callaghan who started SHE'S BOUT A MOVER, in the ninth race at Golden Gate Fields on February 6, 2022 is fined Two Thousand Five Hundred (\$2500.00\*) and suspended seven (7) days (July 2 through July 9, 2022) and assessed ½ point pursuant to CHRB #1843.4 (Multiple Medication Violations expires 6/24/23) pursuant to CHRB #1887 (A) (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) and for violation of CHRB #1843.1 (Prohibited Drug Substances – Methocarbomal Class 4 – Penalty C violation). The suspension shall be stayed. Respondent is also placed on probation for one (1) year subject to the following terms and conditions.

During the period of probation, Simon Callaghan must not be in violation of CHRB rules, #1843.1, #1843.6 and #1887 regarding Class 1, 2, 3 or 4 drug substances. If the respondent violates any conditions of his probation, the above referenced seven (7) calendar days stayed of suspension shall be lifted, and the actual suspension shall be imposed after notice and hearing regarding the subsequent violation and shall be in addition to any penalty imposed for the underlying rule violation(s).

Upon receiving a "Settlement Agreement and Mutual Release" notification between Simon Callaghan and the California Horse Racing Board the above ruling was published by the Board of Stewards.

6/24/22<sup>3</sup>

#### **DAILY RACING FORM ERROR**

Director of Racing, Larry Swartzlander, notified the Stewards of an error in race #6 of the Daily Racing Form. The horse NORTHVALE ROAD was listed as a runner in the Past Performances, but had been scratched at the designated time, 10:00 am Wednesday. The Official Program listed that horse as scratched and had the correct wagering numbers of the other entrants on the race page. Steps were taken to get the message out to simulcast land and here at the track.

6/24/22<sup>4</sup>

#### **RACE 3 - ACCIDENT**

As horses were approaching the 3/8<sup>th</sup>s pole of this 5 ½ furlong race #2 CHEAP CHEAP CHEAP was injured. Jockey Irving Orozco pulled up the mare at the ¼ pole. She was loaded onto the Equine Ambulance. Initial report was an injury to the left forelimb.

6/24/22<sup>5</sup>

#### **RACE 4 VOIDED CLAIM**

The claim of GALWALKSINTOABAR by Trainer Sal Naranjo was voided by the Board of Stewards when CHRB Veterinarian Franklin added the mare to the Vet's List due to lameness issues in the left hind. The five-year-old will remain in the care of Trainer Jonathan Wong.

6/24/22<sup>6</sup>

#### **RACE 7 DELAY**

Starter Stephens let the Stewards know that there would be a delay due to a repair having to be made to a set of stall doors on the starting gate. A welder had to do some

work which caused the Post Parade to be extended two minutes. The work performed appeared to work as there were no problems when the field was dispatched.

6/24/22<sup>7</sup>

#### **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track		\$167,653.10
SCOTWinc	N/A	\$105,538.70
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$1,035,092.18
Total		\$1,378,089.08

**SATURDAY**

6/25/22<sup>1</sup>

#### **PROGRAM CHANGES**

\*1<sup>st</sup> Race: #5 FULL OF LIFE – Tr. F. Rondan - Injured – Dr Batten. Refund: \$91.00

\*No show wagering.

2<sup>nd</sup> Race: #2 ROSE PRINCESS – Tr. Q. Miller – Panel – Stewards. Refund: \$43.00

5<sup>th</sup> Race: #6 HULA KING – to be ridden by Evin Roman

8<sup>th</sup> Race: #2 BORN TO REIGN – Tr. J. Wong – Sick – Dr. Batten. Refund: \$258.54

6/25/22<sup>2</sup>

#### **DAILY RACING FORM ERROR (Ref. 6/24/22<sup>3</sup>)**

An explanation for yesterday's DRF mistake was received from that Company. They took full responsibility and are taking steps to prevent any future incidents.

6/25/22<sup>3</sup>

#### **FILM REVIEW**

Apprentice Jockey Adrian Martinez appeared to review video from Saturday's fifth race where he was involved in a single horse spill. Video shows his mount clipping heels going into the first turn of this one mile and seventy-yard race with only five runners. Pilot error appears to be the sole cause of this incident as Mr. Martinez tries to drop to the inside and then changes lanes to go outside of the horse in front of him clipping heels in the process.

Steward Baker voiced his opinion that Mr. Martinez deserved suspension days.

Stewards Meyers and Lewis opted for a very stern warning. Mr. Martinez, through an interpreter, was talked to about the dangers of his actions. He said he understood he was at fault and was very apologetic.

6/25/22<sup>4</sup>

#### **DELIMA RULING**

##### **ACF Ruling #4**

Trainer **CLIFFORD DELIMA** who worked the horse **LITTLE CHEYENNE** at Golden Gate Fields on April 9, 2022, is fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)\* and assessed one half (1/2) point in accordance with California Horse Racing Board Rule #1843.4 (Multiple Medication Violations – Expires 6/25/23), pursuant to California Horse Racing Board Rule #1887 (Trainer or Owner to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board Rule #1868 (Authorization Medication During Workouts) and Rule #1843.1 (b) (Prohibited Drug Substances – Phenylbutazone (Class 4)).

After reviewing and discussing issues presented to this Panel in California Horse Racing Board Case Number 22GG0051 (Ref. 6/23/2022<sup>1</sup>) the above ruling was published.

6/25/22<sup>5</sup>

#### **CLEAR RACING**

The nine events run today resulted in a CLEAR day of racing.

6/25/22<sup>6</sup>

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SCOTWinc	N/A	\$105,538.70
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Total		\$1,378,089.08

**SUNDAY**

6/26/22<sup>1</sup>

### **PROGRAM CHANGES**

\*1<sup>st</sup> Race: #4 BETT ON BLAZE – Tr. M. Meier - Injured – Dr Batten. Refund: \$196.54

\*No show wagering.

3<sup>rd</sup> Race: #1 SUPER ANNIE – corrected weight in program should read 122 lbs.

#2 LADY SKYWALKER–Tr. M. Stortz – Injured – Dr. Batten. Refund: \$108.86

6/26/22<sup>2</sup>

### **ESPINOZA RULING**

#### **ACF Ruling #5**

Jockey **ASSAEL ESPINOZA** who rode **HANS GRUBER** in the first race at the Alameda County Fair (Pleasanton) on Saturday, June 25, 2022 is fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop – used more than six times).

Jockey Assael Espinoza was present in the Stewards Office to discuss his use of the Riding Crop in the first race from Saturday. Mr. Espinoza indicated that he may have overused the crop by one strike. Video proved him correct, therefore, the above ruling was written.

6/26/22<sup>3</sup>

### **ANTONGEORGI III – RULING #6**

#### **ACF Ruling #6**

Jockey **WILLIAM ANTONGEORGI III** who rode **GALLANT OAK** in the first race at the Alameda County Fair (Pleasanton) on Saturday, June 25, 2022 is fined Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop- used more than six times – second offense in sixty days).

Jockey William Antongeorgi III appeared to review video of the previous day's first race regarding his use of the Riding Crop. After viewing the replay of the race from all angles both the Jockey and the Stewards agreed that the crop was used one time over the six-strike limit. This being the second violation in recent history for Mr. Antongeorgi the above ruling was issued with the increased penalty.

6/26/22<sup>4</sup>

### **RIVERA – RULING #7**

#### **ACF Ruling #7**

Jockey **SANTOS RIVERA** who rode **JOYMAKER** in the second race at the Alameda County Fair (Pleasanton) on Saturday, June 25, 2022 is fined Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688 (Use of Riding Crop- used more than six times).

Rider Santos Rivera watched video, as requested by this Panel, to explain his use of the crop in race two from yesterday. We had to watch the replay more times than

normal to get a clear count of the usage. In the end both rider and this Board of Stewards agreed that the count was seven resulting in the above ruling being published.

6/26/22<sup>5</sup>

### **RACE 2 – DEAD HEAT FOR PLACE**

When the horses crossed the Finish Line for the second race the winner was unchallenged, but the next two runners, #1 A DIME FOR ME, and #6 TRAFFIC STOPPER, were too close together to determine, with the naked eye, which was the place horse. The Stewards called for a photo to determine the finish for the Place and Show pools.

The result of the camera view could not show any separation between the two noses on the wire. The Stewards and the Placing Judges were unanimous in declaring a dead heat for place. Final placings: 3/ (1/6) /4/ 5/ 2.

6/26/22<sup>6</sup>

### **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track		\$233,878.80
Cotwin	N/A	\$194,218.10
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$1,037,507.50
Total		\$1,557,204.50

### **VETERINARIAN RECOMMENDED SCRATCHES**

Date	Race	No.	Horse	Trainer	Reason	Vet	Refund
6/24/22	2	1	BID ON THE PRIZE	Q. Howey	Unsound	Batten	See below
6/24/22	2	3	CARDIFF CRACK	B. McLean	Injured	Batten	\$143.87
6/25/22	1	5	FULL OF LIFE	F. Rondan	Injured	Batten	\$91.00
6/25/22	2	2	ROSE PRINCESS	Q. Miller	Panel	Stewards	\$43.00
6/25/22	8	2	BORN TO REIGN	J. Wong	Sick	Batten	\$258.54
6/26/22	1	4	BETT ON BLAZE	M. Meier	Injured	Batten	\$196.54
6/26/22	3	2	LADY SKYWALKER	M. Stortz	Injured	Batten	\$108.86

### **SUMMARY**

	Fri 6/24	Sat 6/25	Sun 6/26	Week	Meet
<b>Accidents</b>	1	0	0	1	2
<b>Cal-Bred Races</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Claims</b>	3	1	1	5	12
<b>Disqualifications</b>	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Inquiries</b>	0	0	0	0	2
<b>Refunds</b>	3	3	2	8	18
<b>Rulings</b>	1	1	3	5	7
<b>Voided Claims</b>	1	0	0	1	2

Respectfully submitted,

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Richard Lewis, Steward

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Grant Baker, Steward

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Will Meyers, Steward